

## Maine Revised Statutes

### Title 4: JUDICIARY

#### Chapter 22: UNIFORM RECOGNITION OF ACKNOWLEDGMENTS ACT

##### §1012. AUTHENTICATION OF AUTHORITY OF OFFICER

**1. Proof.** If the notarial act is performed by any of the persons described in section 1011, subsections 1 to 4, other than a person authorized to perform notarial acts by the laws or regulations of a foreign country, the signature, rank or title and serial number, if any, of the person are sufficient proof of the authority of a holder of that rank or title to perform the act. Further proof of his authority is not required.

[ 1969, c. 364, (NEW) . ]

**2. --other.** If the notarial act is performed by a person authorized by the laws or regulations of a foreign country to perform the act, there is sufficient proof of the authority of that person to act if:

A. Either a foreign service officer of the United States resident in the country in which the act is performed or a diplomatic or consular officer of the foreign country resident in the United States certifies that a person holding that office is authorized to perform the act; [ 1969, c. 364, (NEW) . ]

B. The official seal of the person performing the notarial act is affixed to the document; or [ 1969, c. 364, (NEW) . ]

C. The title and indication of authority to perform notarial acts of the person appears either in a digest of foreign law or in a list customarily used as a source of such information. [ 1969, c. 364, (NEW) . ]

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**3. --other persons.** If the notarial act is performed by a person other than one described in subsections 1 and 2, there is sufficient proof of the authority of that person to act if the clerk of a court of record in the place in which the notarial act is performed certifies to the official character of that person and to his authority to perform the notarial act.

[ 1969, c. 364, (NEW) . ]

**4. Signature and title.** The signature and title of the person performing the act are prima facie evidence that he is a person with the designated title and that the signature is genuine.

[ 1969, c. 364, (NEW) . ]

##### SECTION HISTORY

1969, c. 364, (NEW) .

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